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Brief Stoppage.—The Clatsop mills were compelled to close down for about thirty hours on account of one of the main steam pipes breaking on Tuesday night, the mill, box, and saw factory factory all will be involved. Work will be resumed this morning.

The "Royals" Are Here.—The magnificent Royal Chinook salmon, which has made the name of Astoria famous the world over, is on the market. They were caught and brought to the city yesterday by gillnetters from the neighborhood of Tongue's Point, and are of exceptionally fine quality and flavor and worth every cent of the 15 one pays for a pound of them.

May Not Come Here.—Lieutenant-Colonel Henry A. Reed, Artillery Corps, U. S. A., who was recently ordered to duty at Fort Stevens, as commanding officer, has been granted an indefinite leave of absence, which indicates plainly that he will not report here for duty. Who will succeed him, in this event, is entirely problematical.

Quartette of Deeds.—There were four deeds entered for record at County Clerk Clinton's office yesterday, to wit: C. C. Clark to N. D. Bain, bill of sale, consideration \$6250, conveying one logging engine and accessories, and the right to cut the timber from 137 acres of land in the Hirsch and Hollister tracts on the Necanicum river. H. A. Smith to the Douglas Land & Trust Co., warranty title, consideration \$900, conveying 150 acres of land in section 17, township 6 north, range 9 west. Samuel S. Curtis, Receiver, to Frank H. Parsons, conveying the S. W. 1-4 of the S. W. 1-4 of section 2, township 7 north, range 9 west. John Pickernell to Sarah Pickernell, warranty title, consideration \$1, conveying lot 5, block 15, McClure's Astoria.

It will not pay to keep house, pay help, grocery bill, fuel bills, and many other incidentals, when you can get fine, airy, well-furnished, and steam-heated rooms with board at "Hotel Irving."

Came Home Yesterday.—How, and Mrs. J. Q. A. Bowlby arrived home yesterday, on the noon express, from their twenty-five-day outing in California, well and hearty, pleased with the trip, and glad to get home again. Judge Bowlby speaks in glowing terms of the scenes and people he has been among and of their uniform and generous courtesy to the Oregon host, everywhere and all times, but he is still Oregonian to the core and believes Oregon's day is coming fast, and that with all her varied and wonderful resources, all that is needed is a lot more world-wide advertising to place her on a footing with California or any other section of this world.

Valentines at Svenson's.
"There Were Others."—It seems that Mr. J. W. Welch was not the only Oregon tourist who was dispoiled of his valuables on the recent excursion to California. It is reported that Mr. Kahn, of Portland, was relieved of \$25, that Mrs. Harvey, of the metropolis had her chatelaine, containing her watch, rings and money, stolen from her; that another party, whose name could not be ascertained, was relieved of his letter of credit, which, probably did not do the thief much good, as they are not usually honored at random nor without close scrutiny and identification of parties presenting them.

THEY TOOK HIS ALL.
Hon. J. W. Welch Relieved of His Purse and Papers.

One by one, the Astoria contingent that went to California on the big Oregon Development League excursion, return to their habitat, and one by one they are interviewed by friends and reporters, but never a soul of them has told on Hon. James W. Welch and his hard luck at the San Gabriel Mission, just outside of Los Angeles; they have all been true as steel and mum as oysters, and it only got here by wireless message, late yesterday afternoon.

It seems the big, jolly party of tourists were doing the famous church and grounds of San Gabriel and none suspected such Knavish attempts on so sacred ground, but when Mr. Welch returned to the train to go back to the City of the Angels, he had been properly "touched," to the tune of about \$60 and his papers and was dumbfounded at the celerity and mystery of it all: How it was done, by whom, when, he could not say; it was done, cleverly and completely; he was "minus"; his pocket had been picked on hallowed ground and he was in a quandary as deep as it was baffling, for he had been hob-nobbing with priestly people in precincts where such invasions were not expected, but he made the best of it, and drew on his bankers, and is still enjoying himself in the land of sunshine flowers, tourists, fruit, and occasional pick-pockets.

TO IMPROVE CITY

Shively Improvement Club Holds Enthusiastic Meeting.

OUTLINE PLANS FOR WORK

Citizens of Shively District Meet Last Night in the City Hall and Make Plans for Beautifying the City—Committees Appointed.

It was an enthusiastic meeting that the Shively improvement club held last night in the city hall, and one having municipal improvement and the general welfare of the city for its main keynote. There were many present, representative business men, and those who are most deeply interested in the success and general prosperity of the city, and that unfold results toward the improvement of the Shively district, and the city at large will result, is a foregone conclusion. Everyone present showed an interest, and suggestions and plans for work to be done were made and discussed by all with the greatest freedom.

President Osborn presided over the meeting, John Gratke gave a very interesting talk on California, and the work and methods used by the people of that state toward improving and beautifying their cities. He gave some valuable suggestions gathered from what he had seen in his southern trip with the Oregon Development League, and showed how it was possible for Astoria to follow the example of our southern neighbors in advancing the interests of the city. One of his suggestions which seemed especially good, was that the appearance of the city's waterfront could be helped and beautified if the owners of property would see to it that all broken down wharves should be fixed or removed, and if the unsightly buildings which greet the eye of strangers coming to the city for the first time were given a liberal coat of whitewash. If the owners of such property refuse to do anything he said that the improvement club might donate them the whitewash free to see that the work was done. His remarks were received with applause, and extreme favor.

Other speakers were F. L. Parker, Mayor Wise, Martin Foad, Dr. Pilkington, W. E. Schimpff, and Harrison Allen. There was considerable discussion on the work of the Park Commission and acting on numerous suggestions President Osborn appointed a special committee consisting of F. L. Parker, A. Osborn, and Judge Taylor, to confer with that body relative to work needed. The matter of having the park at once put in shape and doing something at once about it, was urged. Other members of the club were also asked to try and be present at the meeting of the commission and lend their support to any measures that might be brought up.

On motion of W. E. Schimpff the secretary was empowered to increase the membership of the street inspecting committee and to name such committee as the constitution provided for, when necessary.

John Gratke moved that all the residents in the Shively district be served, with a notice through the daily press to clean up their front and back yards within ten days, and that a committee be appointed, consisting of one member for each street in the district, to thoroughly inspect all streets to see that the work was done properly, and further that if any resident refused to comply with the club's demand in this respect, to warn him, and if this was not effective, to report his name to the club, that such person or persons might be summarily dealt with. The motion was unanimously adopted and President Osborn appointed the following persons, one for each street as follows: Thirtieth, Thomas Ryrie; Fourteenth, Dr. Pilkington; Fifteenth, Judge Taylor; Sixteenth, P. M. Leathers; Seventeenth, W. E. Schimpff; Eighteenth, Martin Foad; Commercial, Captain Gammal; Duane, Austin Osborn; Exchange, Mr. Barth, sr.; Franklin, Judge Anderson; Grand, Mr. Thayer; Irving, B. Van Dusen; Bond street and waterfront, Dr. Pilkington and Captain Gammal.

A committee of three was appointed to confer with the water commission to see what might be done toward procuring water for use on the streets for sluicing purposes. They are as follows: B. Van Dusen, F. L. Parker, and Harrison Allen.

A committee on by-laws was appointed as follows: F. L. Parker, J. Gratke, and B. Van Dusen. This committee will probably confer with like committees from the other improvement clubs so

as to have the by-laws conform as nearly as possible.

The committee on membership consists of Martin Foad, O. Anderson, and F. Johnson.

The membership committee was named as follows: Austin Osborn, A. J. Pilkington, W. E. Schimpff, and F. J. Taylor. All other members were also instructed to work for new members, as it was unanimously decreed that the club should have every person in the district on its rolls. A large number of persons signed their names to the membership roll last night. A membership fee of \$1.00 was thought to be a reasonable sum, though the lack of this amount does not debar any person from being a member.

The club has decided to meet every week on Wednesday for the present, in order that plans for real work may be made and got under way. The club then adjourned.

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IN COUNTY COURT

Clatsop County Court Open February Business.

WARRENTON BIDS OPENED

Six Bids Are Received, and Contract Given to P. A. Larsen at \$1.00 Per Rod—Viewers Report on Road Petitioned For by Mr. Lanquist.

The regular February term of the Honorable County Court of Clatsop county opened yesterday morning at the county court house, with Judge Trenchard and Commissioners Clark and Larsen on the bench.

Bids were received and opened in behalf of the planking of the Warrenton road, as follows:

- P. A. Larsen.....\$1.00 per rod
- Aug. Juhl, through Adair, \$1.04 per rod
- Aug. Juhl, between Hill's Slough and Skipanon.....\$1.10 per rod
- Aug. Juhl, line dike, as far as Meek's.....\$2.20 per rod
- Aug. Juhl, at.....\$3.00 per rod
- R. A. Abbott, two bids, each at.....\$1.00 per rod
- Mr. Larsen was awarded the contract for the work from a point where it ceased last year, toward the Lewis & Clark river, at.....\$1.00 per rod
- Mr. Juhl was awarded the contract for the work between Skipanon Creek and Hill's Slough, at.....\$1.10 per rod

The report of the viewers of the new road petitioned for by Mr. Lanquist and others, were received, read the first time, and laid over for early consideration.

A petition was received from James Irvin and others praying for the construction of a new piece of road, and the clerk was directed to notify petitioners that the matter should have proper and timely attention.

The matter of people hunting without a license because the day they wanted to hunt happened to be a legal holiday and they could not procure a license, and which was referred to the County Court, for adjustment, was summarily disposed of by the court, which ruled that no holiday can be deemed to interfere with the operation of the law and it could not interpose any judgment in mitigation of an offense so pleaded.

When the reporter left, the court was deep in a learned argument on just what a "Canada thistle" really was, what it looked like, and felt like, how it grew,

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where it grew, whether there was any in Clatsop county, and other issues in said relation too deep for an ordinary newspaper man.

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NEWS ITEM.

The agricultural and horticultural resources of the Grand Valley, Colorado, are most entertainingly set forth in an attractive booklet, "The Little Empire of the Western Slope," now being distributed by the passenger department of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad.

A GOOD THING TO KNOW.

The stranger within Astoria's gates should know, as does every home citizen, that the one place to properly feed one's self is the Palace Restaurant. The service, at the desk, in the dining room, in the kitchen, is as perfect as means and experience can make it, and available, day and night, the year round. Private dining rooms for ladies and parties. Banqueting equipment unsurpassed. Call once, call always. Commercial street, opposite the Page building.

TERSE TALES OF THE TOWN

For California.—Collector of Customs W. L. Robb leaves today via the steamer Redondo, on a business trip to lower coast ports and will be absent the better part of a week.

W. C. T. U. Today.—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the parlors of the First Baptist church. The program of the day will be in the hands of Mrs. Gearhart.

Signs Ordinances.—Mayor Wise yesterday afternoon fixed his signature to five ordinances and signed all the warrants ordered paid at the last meeting of the city council.

New Motive Power.—Engine No. 17 of the Astoria & Columbia River railroad service rolled out of the company's shops yesterday afternoon equipped and ready for duty on the line, as a full-fledged oil-burner. She's a dandy alright!

To Be, And Has Been.—Lars M. Nyström filed his declaration of intention to become a citizen of this great country, yesterday, with County Clerk Clinton, and that officer had scarcely made a record of this incipient phase of citizenship, when he was called upon to perfect the same aspirations held by Harry D. Meyers, who having fulfilled the demands of the naturalization laws of the land, called for his final papers, and qualified as a full-fledged American citizen. *Photo, \$25.*

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